## Police seize foreign brand cigarettes worth 6 cr in Mnp

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IMPHAL, AUG 30: Manipur police have arrested three persons along with foreign branded cigarettes valued around Rs 6 crore in the international market.

The seized foreign branded cigarettes include 21 boxes of Win (4,20,000 sticks), 35 boxes of Gudang Garam (5,04,00 sticks), seven boxes of Paris(1,40,000 sticks) and 114 boxes of ESSE-Light (11,40,000 sticks).

The three individuals arrested with the illegal smuggled items were identified as Th Sashikumar Singh (22) of Pukhao (Imphal East), Kh Sanaton Singh (41) of Lamshang (Imphal West) and Kh Sarat Singh (28) of Ka-

mong (Imphal West)

A release of the state police PRO issued on Friday said that a Tamenglong police team who frisked and checked duty of the travellers along NH-37 (Imphal-Jiribam road) intercepted the illegal items on the intervening night of August 27 and 28.

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The Tamenglong police team conducted the frisking and checking between Barak Bridge and Sibilong village of the highway.

The seized contraband items which would be valued around Rs 6 crore in the international market were handed over to Customs Division, Imphal for further necessary legal action, the release added.